

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

41-2570

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14 of the Texas Constitution, I, Ann W. Richards, Governor of Texas, do hereby veto S.B. 965 because of the following objections:


This bill gives the Upper Guadalupe River Authority the right to obtain a permit from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission to appropriate state water from stream flows for the purpose of recharging underground aquifers within the boundaries of the Authority. Current law is unclear on the use of the water and the authority is currently in a contested case, now pending before the Texas Water Commission.

Under this bill, state water loses its character as state water and becomes groundwater subject to being pumped by any private user.

The questions involved in this dispute are more properly resolved by the Commission in its hearing process, where all of the issues and interests may be considered.

The Secretary of State will take notice of this action and will notify the members of the Legislature.

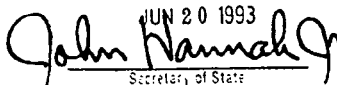
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 19 day of June, 1993.


Ann W. Richards
Governor of Texas



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SECRETARY OF STATE

10:10 p.m. O'CLOCK

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Secretary of State